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## 19 apprehended at rural rumble

What began as an argument over a 15-year-old girl between two teenagers, who apparently escaped to a possible "game fight" over the weekend before officials from the Coffee County Sheriff's Dept. arrived at the scene of the planned fight and apprehended 17 juveniles,

two 18-year-olds and numerous weapons.

According to a statement from Sheriff Dept. a caller notified the department on Saturday morning, Feb. 13, that two large groups of boys were planning a fight behind the old Goodman School at approximately 3 p.m. that day.

The fight apparently started over a 15-year-old girl and ended into what was called a "game fight" when both boys involved talked friends into helping solve the problem.

Sheriff's deputies arrived at the

scene hours before the planned fight and stationed an unmarked car near a road leading to the school and second unmarked car near another road near the school.

Deputies noticed three white males entering the school yard on

foot early in the afternoon, and when the males recognized the deputies the reported broke and ran from the scene. The youths were later caught and upon search it was discovered that one of the three had a martial arts weapon in his possession.

Later in the day deputies saw a group of vehicles gathering at a church near the Goodman Community, and after blocking the vehicles' escape, searched the occupants of the vehicles and the occupants of other vehicles later arriving at the scene turned up weapons that included a .25 automatic pistol, a .22 revolver, home-

made and professionally made nightsticks, numerous martial arts weapons, hunting knives and pocket knives, pipe, brass knuckles, a butcher's steel and other homemade weapons.

Authorities reported they apprehended 17 juveniles, which were later released to their parents awaiting juvenile action, and arrested two males, both age 18.

Those arrested were identified as Robert Lee Stewart, age 18, of New Brockton, charged with possession of firearms, and first obtaining a permit, and Russell D. Mayo, who was charged with carrying a concealed weapon.

## County School Board approves

## 'Saturday Detention Program'

The Coffee County Board of Education met in regular monthly session at the school board headquarters in Elba and approved plans for the implementation of a "Saturday Detention Program" at all schools in the county system.

The City of Enterprise currently has an emergency management director that reportedly carries the title of county director, but at the meeting more than one official reported that as long as the agency stands, it is the rest of the county that will receive little aid unless a disaster occurs.

"Emergency management is something you don't need unless you have a tornado, flood or some type of disaster," said Mayor English, "and the only way such a working plan will be realized is to let both the county and the cities share in the funding for the position."

## Cutbacks announced at Elba Post Office

Elba Postmaster W.J. "Bill" Bullard announced this week that in order to meet recent federal regulations the Elba Post Office will make several changes that will affect customer service.

The changes, scheduled to go into effect on Feb. 20, 1988, include making window service available from 9 a.m. until 12 noon on Saturdays, and from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. during weekdays.

Customer service will be offered to customers prior to 8:30 a.m. either in person or by telephone, and there will no longer be opening of post office boxes for customers.

A final change is that anyone wishing locations of postal patrons within the Elba delivery area will be charged \$1 per inquiry.

"The Postal Service must comply with the Budget Law passed in 1987," said Postmaster Bullard, "and in the law the service was ordered to pay the Congress \$1.245 billion prior to Oct. 1, 1989."

"Because of the cutbacks mandated it is necessary for the Elba

Post Office to cut back a total of four hours per week of customer service.

"While many post offices are simply cutting their window service by four hours a week, I feel the

changes listed above will enable the post office to meet the regulations and at the same time continue to give the customers the window service they need."

## Motor Carrier Safety Unit in state releases figures for 1987

The Alabama Dept. of Public Safety's Motor Carrier Safety Unit inspected 7,698 commercial drivers and vehicles during its first year of operations, according to Col. Thomas W. Wood, Public Safety Director. The inspection program is designed to reduce the number and severity of accidents involving commercial vehicles.

In addition inspecting vehicles and drivers for safety, MCSAP officers take part in workshops, seminars and other educational programs regarding requirements of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Act of 1986.

Operational since April, 1987, MCSAP is made up of 37 specially trained state troopers assigned to nine teams throughout Alabama. Vehicle driver violations, including out-of-service violations, issued through December, 1987, are detailed below:

Driver violations - 5,192  
Driver out-of-service violations - 656

\*Driver violations include - Operator's License, Medical Certification, Hours-of-Service and Record-of-Duty status, and "other" categories;

Equipment violations - 14,509  
Equipment out-of-service violations - 4,044

\*Equipment violations include - brake light, and "other" categories.

Hazardous materials violations - 221

Hazardous materials out-of-service violations - 37

\*Hazardous materials violations include - shipping papers; improperly marked, labeled or described

shipments; no re-test and inspection (cargo tank); improper placarding; improper blocking; no remote shut-off control; and "other" categories.

## Coffee County

## Young Democrats

## to meet Feb. 23

The Coffee County Chapter of the Alabama Young Democrats will meet Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room of The Peoples Bank in Elba.

Anyone between 18 and 36 years of age who is interested in the Democratic Party is invited.

Speaker will be District Judge Thomas Head.

For more information, for anyone planning to attend, call 897-3304.

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## Unemployment rate dips in county

The Alabama Department of Industrial Relations has released its monthly unemployment report for the month of December, 1987. The latest figures revealed that Coffee County's unemployment rate for the month of December had dropped to 5.7 percent, a drop of .2 percent from the previous month and a drastic drop of nearly four points from a year ago.

The estimates, which were prepared by the state department,

and with assistance from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, show that in December, 1987, only 990 of a work force of 17,380 persons were without work. A year ago the county had an unemployment rate of 9.5 percent and the latest figures showed the continual improving work picture in the local area.

Following are comparisons of other counties and their unemployment figures:

	December 1987	Preliminary Unemployment Data	Dec. 1986
Bullock	15.2	13.9	18.7
Carter	8.7	8.8	11.0
Coffey	5.7	5.9	9.5
Conseul	12.0	12.6	19.5
Covington	7.4	7.4	10.3
Crenshaw	9.5	8.6	9.5
Dale	6.8	7.5	8.7
Geneva	5.2	5.5	7.5
Hale	6.1	6.3	7.9
Houston	5.0	4.7	7.7
Jefferson	5.6	5.8	8.0
Mobile	9.2	9.1	10.7
Montgomery	6.0	6.3	7.4
Pike	6.4	6.0	9.1

Mr. Eddie Vaughan has been named 1988 Leukemia Mowea long.

The winter event is set for

March 26 when bicyclists, runners, joggers and walkers will participate in the community event to benefit the Alabama chapter of the Leukemia Society.

Proceeds will be used toward finding the cure for leukemia - the number one killer disease of children.

Vaughan says details will be provided at a later date.

SANDERS MAKES IT OFFICIAL . . . Elba football standout Troy Sanders made it official last week that he would become a member of the Florida State Seminoles when he signed a national letter of intent on Wednesday, Feb. 10. Sanders was heavily recruited by Florida State

as well as SEC schools Auburn and Mississippi State, but chose the Seminoles and last week made it official. Pictured seated, L-R: his mother, Charlene Sanders, Troy; his father, Larry Sanders, and standing, Elba football coach Mack Wood.



## BRAINSTORMS

By Ferrin Cox

Thursday we were in Montgomery hearing Gov. Guy Hunt promote his plan to divide the state into 10 congressional districts. There were 25 of us sitting there and I began I sounded like a communist. This column last week. Gosh, I am sorry and promise that happened and wasn't planned. However, pretty soon he got away from my comments and continued with explaining his plan. Later while breaking bread with the governor, we did him the most favor, a chance to ask some questions. We didn't get them all answered but did get some of them. I hope some could give us the answer. We kinda harped on this plan for highway improvement and our personal interest in Highway 48 coming through Elba. We get no commitment, but on the positive side, we didn't get a NO.

Alabama voters are not happy with the fact that they must decide if they are going to vote in the Democratic or Republican primary on Super Tuesday, March 8. Alabama law says that if you vote with one party, you are bound to vote in that party's primary for one year. Now this doesn't include a general election, but the other one, just does include the May voting when we traditionally select our candidates. I would like to remind you, however, remember this is just party politics, not "real" politics. Crossing over to vote in another party's primary is just as upsetting to party regulars as if someone down the street at another church came into our church, voted on our platform, and then went back to their church. We sure wouldn't like that at all, and the party loyalists feel the same way about the primaries. This means that come April, boy will probably bite the bullet and vote Democratic in March... 'cause I was a voice in selecting the local officials and they will probably all be the same.

We support the idea of a law setting out minimum standards for people serving as sheriff in Alabama. At present the only requirement is to get the most votes on election day. But we need to watch out and not pass a law that mostly protects incumbents. We see a lot of licensing boards in every state that set new boards and minimum requirements to keep out competition for the incumbents. The same could be done here. In fact we would like to see considered an exception to the education requirements that would allow a newly elected sheriff a limited time to get the minimum education. This also means we have reservations about the suggested requirement that a person have several years law enforcement experience before running for sheriff. We have known some good sheriffs who came from other walks of life. Pass some laws yes - but be careful.

Michael Patrick has resigned from the Elba Police Dept. Several weeks ago the man was supposed for some of his actions, according to Chief John White. This was after we had published a letter commanding him for doing a good job. After this, he was back on routine patrol and we settled back to making our split in hearing some folks who didn't like his work complain. White said this week that Patrick has resigned and would receive a favorable recommendation if he applied for police work with any other department.

A federal judge in San Francisco struck down drug testing for railroad workers. This is a time when federal judges in other districts (and higher up) are testing for drug stains. This shows a problem - or potential problem. As far as the higher court makes its actual case, it is if the law in that district and will also be closely followed in other districts where no ruling has been made. Therefore if you can find one judge to give a favorable ruling, then you can possibly change the whole course of history.

Football is a big way off here in February, but planning is underway for the Miami-Florida State game on Sept. 3 is the one that was planned for Oct. 29. All this was done for the TV folks - and who would say for the money the TV folks help generate. By the way, it is a night game and will be played in the Orange Bowl. Should be an interesting match-up.

Pat Robertson is a candidate for president of the U.S. Now we heard him say the other day there were Russian missiles in Cuba. That turned out to be scare tactics and he "backed that out" the next day. Robertson is also getting into trouble over other things he says. We have been told a couple that we won't repeat. You see, they say as it may be just rumors. However, he is trying to shake the hand of both the TV and radio stations. Mr. Robertson is now a religious broadcaster - if that makes him a saint. It is like the others becoming sanitation engineers. The work is the same, the pay is the same and the title has more prestige. We used to jokingly say that when the boss couldn't give a pay raise for her she passed out some new fancy titles to the workers. Maybe Robertson is saying he deserves of these new fancy titles to go along with his coming title of "former presidential candidate."

Florida local folks don't have anything on the slot machine operators in Reno, Nevada. They were up to \$100,000 million out there that is it. We went there every Sunday morning because of the 99 cent breakfast. Of course he and his wife fed the hungry slot machine every time, and therefore the breakfast ended up costing a bit more... until the four 7's came up this week. He plans to spend the money on his children and grandchildren... I am working to prove my relationship.

### Historical Society To Meet Feb. 21

The history of the Red Rock bottling plant in Enterprise will be the subject of a talk by Dr. D. E. Gray Sunday, Feb. 21, at the Pea River Historical and Genealogical Society's



GRADY THOMAS (second from left) will retire from Dorseys Trailers on March 1 after almost 38 years of service to the company. He began work with Dorseys on Aug. 3, 1950. Thomas was given a radial arm saw by his co-workers. Pictured (L-R): at the retirement luncheon given him recently are: Marilyn Marks, Dorseys Trailers president; Thomas; his wife Janaria; and Joe Devane, vice president, Sales.

## OBITUARIES

### KIT J. BUFORD

Mr. Kit J. Buford, age 60, of Cleveland, Ohio, died January 21, 1988, at Veterans Hospital.

Funeral services were held Jan. 30, at 10:30 a.m. from William A. Gaines Funeral Home, with Rev. James Ross, officiating. Burial will follow in Riverside Cemetery with Gaines Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Edith; two daughters: Sandra F. Simmons, of Louisville, Ky.; and Debbie L. Buford; his mother, Clyde Posey; son-in-law, Erving Simmons; wife, Mrs. Christine Donaldson; three grandchildren: Mrs. Sylvia Harrison, Gulfport, Miss.; Mrs. Judy Jones, Samson; a sister, Mrs. Mollie Money, Samson; 25 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Feb. 10 at 10 a.m. from the chapel of Bottoms Garden Chapel Funeral Home, with the Rev. Earl Brodgen officiating. Burial was in Travelers Rest Cemetery with Bottoms Garden Chapel directing.

Survivors include four sons: Olen McCollough, Jessie Lee McCollough, Samson; Roland McCollough, Fairbanks, Alaska; four daughters: Mrs. Christine Donaldson; Sandra F. Simmons, of Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Sylvia Harrison, Gulfport, Miss.; Mrs. Judy Jones, Samson; a sister, Mrs. Mollie Money, Samson; 25 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren.

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BOBBIE SUZANNE PRICE was three years old on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. She is the daughter of Bobby and Patricia Price. Grandparents are Wayne and Inice Whittington; and Leon and Caynell Price, all of Elba. She has a brother, Timothy, and sister, Kristy.

### International Engagement Party Honors

#### Miss Wilson & Mr. Ward

The home of Perry and Carol Wilson was the scene on Saturday evening, Jan. 28, for an international engagement party honoring Ginger Wilson and Rob Ward.

Guests from six different countries attended, bringing them special dishes from their homeland, which included French apple pie, Dutch pudding and annise cake, seafood and jam, Spanish omelet, salad russe' and spiral pastry from India.

From Spain were Aurelian Ruiz, Jose Maria Sagasta, Miguel Mugica and Ricardo Guarnieira.

France was represented by Fernand Pfeifer, Robert Rives and Alice Mathereux; from Canada was Elmer Faber from Holland - Rudd and Thera Veltman.

Bob and Yvonne Boyle represented England; from India were Vital and Pushpa Mehta; and Sandra Hammann from Iowa; Pam Love, Fred and Patsy Blackwell - Dothan; Mary and David Ward - Hartford; Brenda Anderson - New Brockton; Sallie Bryan, Jon and Jerome Ward and Brad Wilson, Elba.

Highlight of the evening was the exchange of traditional and marriage customs at the festivities, the representatives native to their country. The language barrier was overcome as Ginger and Rob

received sincere "best wishes" in many varied accents on this special occasion.



### Miss Hixon To Wed Mr. Collier In April

Mr. and Mrs. William Owen Hixon of Banks, Ala., announced the engagement of their daughter, Emily, to Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Collier of New Brockton and the late Mr. and Mrs. George E. Collier of Elba.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seale Dickey of Brundidge. Also in the late Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Hixon of Banks.

She is a 1979 graduate of Pike Liberal Arts School in Troy and attended Auburn University and Troy State University. He is presently employed by Dorey Trailers, Inc.

The wedding will take place April 16 at the Brundidge United Methodist Church.

Employed by Pike County Bank in Troy.

The future groom is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Collier of New Brockton and the late Mr. and Mrs. George E. Collier of Elba.

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She is Emily and Tina's first child, and both mother and daughter are reported to be doing fine.

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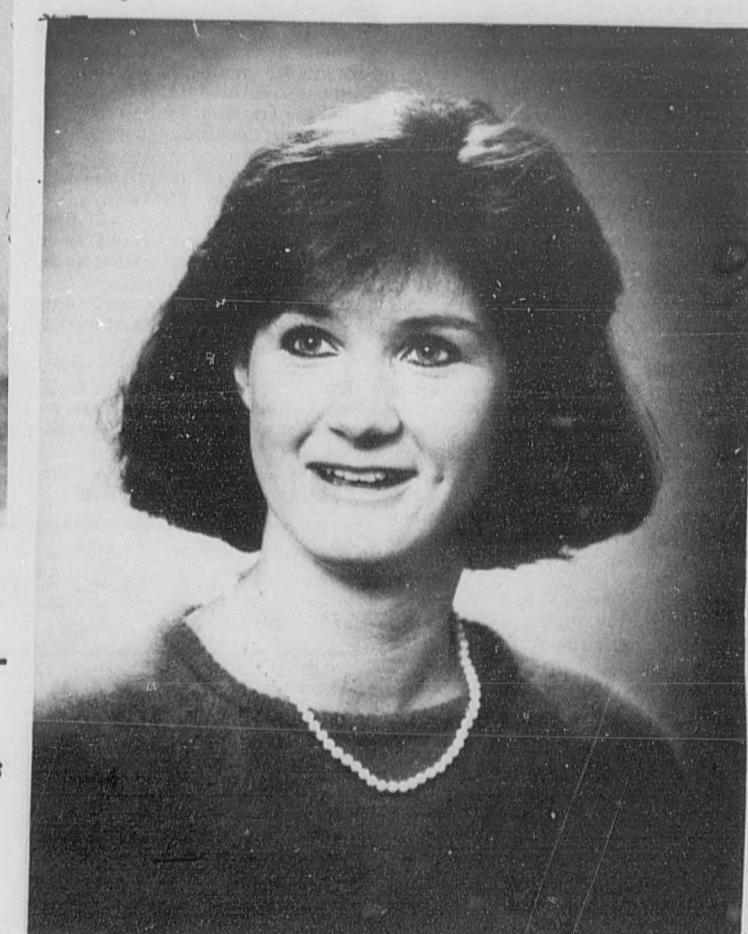
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## Socials



### Azalea Garden Club Meets With Mrs. McCreary

Club president, Mrs. Pat O'Riley called the meeting of the Azalea Garden Club to order when they met recently in the home of Mrs. McCreary.

Mrs. O'Riley presented Mrs. W. Cox who introduced Coffee County Commissioner Mr. Dan Presley, who entertained the group with colorful slides of shrubs, plants and trees, used in "The Home Landscape."

He summarized the lecture by saying flowering plants, shrubs and trees give the landscape prominence, proportion and maturity. "They define outdoor areas, create shade, frame views, hide eyesores and beautify."

Routine business followed the program. Mrs. Cox called the roll and read the minutes, and Mrs. Lloyd Crook made a financial report.

Mrs. Mayo Prescott shared garden hints, and the club contributed \$15 to project "Care."

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Various chairmen of standing committees reported.

The president announced a flower arranging workshop in Enterprise in April.

The scrapbook chairman reported that all the volumes of scrapbooks that have been made since the club was organized in 1964 have been placed in the city library.

Mrs. James D. Dorris Jr. was a guest of the club and received a unanimous vote to become a member.

Meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. McCreary's hospitality were Mrs. D. Hilliard Cooper, Mrs. R.H. Lee, Mrs. Pat O'Riley, Mrs. W.W. Cox, Mrs. T. M. Miller, Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Mrs. James D. Dorris Jr., Mrs. Lloyd Crook, Mrs. Claud Dorris Jr., Mrs. Flounroy Whitman, Mrs. C.C. Zimmerman, Mrs. Mayo Prescott, Mr. Dan Presley and Mrs. Nellie B. Martin.



Valentine King - Perry Grant; Valentine Queen - Mary Beryl Whitehurst

### Elba Senior Citizens Enjoy Valentine Party

The atmosphere was happiness, the room was festive, the color was red at the Elba Senior Citizens Center on the square Feb. 11, as the participants enjoyed a Valentine party.

Everyone was wearing red and the center was decorated with white tablecloths, slender red candles, red hearts and curled red ribbon. Valentines were displayed on doorways, walls and tables.

Participants were given two slips of pink paper as they arrived, to write their choices for a Valentine king and queen.

After the delicious meal of ham with all the trimmings, French fries, salad and strawberries, cake decorated with a red heart, the votes were counted and the king and queen crowned.

Created as 1988 Senior Citizens Valentine Queen was Mary Beryl Whitehurst.

She is the mother of Nelson Whitehurst and lives in the Elba Villa Apartments. She says she likes to be a hostess and enjoys being a hostess.

The 1988 Senior Citizens Valentine King was Perry Grant.

Perry is a long-time resident of Elba and says he looks forward to going to the center to play dominoes and laughing and talking with all his friends.

Everyone reported having lots of fun and said, "Let's do this again next year."

The director, Mrs. Carolyn Stokes, says the plans are to do just that!

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A Notary Conscience

Romans 2:11-16

It is called the conscience and it goes off when people violate "the law written in their hearts" (Rom. 2:15). The second verse in it, for part of the design of mankind.

A farmer was on his way home after picking up his new car. As he approached his farm, he decided to test the acceleration. He crossed the side road that led to his house and drove for a mile or so. Then after making a sharp turn he sped back down the side road. A car from a station wagon observed the U-turn and the farmer's fast rate of speed, and he thought the automobile was an unusual police car.

Trying to avoid detection, he quickly headed down the road leading to the farm. Of course, he was followed by the returning farmer, who only wanted to go home. The second driver was alarmed and drove to a dead end. He jumped out and ran across the side road and ran into the station wagon. Later, it was found to be filled with stolen coffee, cigarettes, and ammunition. His conscience had made him flee, even though no one was pursuing him.

There is a treasure that you can own. That's greater than a crown or throne. A conscience good with which to live.

That only God Himself can give.

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It is amazing that most folks who are rock music enthusiasts see blue light in the rearview mirror or stop cheating, stealing, and lying until they are caught doing it. The alarm bell has gone off time and time again.

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The New Brooklyn Methodist will have a service Feb. 21 at 28, and

Rick Stanley Elvis' step-brother, will conduct the service.

Stanley's life turned toward salvation after Elvis' death when he was 16. He was raised by his mother, who died when he was 18.

He became a Christian and has been a rock music enthusiast ever since. He has written a book, "I Believe in God and I Believe in Preaching."

He studied at Criswell Institute in Dallas, Tex., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, where he graduated in May, 1986.

Stanley's messages are referred to as "straight-shooting" gospel messages teaching reverence, salvation, commitment and soul-winning.

Providing spiritual music for all services is Bill Kohl of Mobile. He is from Republic of Singapore and has appeared in Christian music concerts in several countries around the world. He and his wife, Angela, attended Mobile College in Mobile, and he later attended New Orleans Baptist Seminary in New Orleans.

The Christian is to be a good steward of all that God has given him (1 Peter 4:10). Since all that we come from God, we must use our resources wisely and the foolish risking of our resources in gambling is contrary to God's will.

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### Jackie Herbert & Dana Dean Chosen Honor Band

By: Lavonia Johnson  
Zion Chapel students Jackie Herbert and Dana Dean were chosen to attend the Southeastern Honors Band at Troy State University. They left Friday, Feb. 10, at 9:30 to meet with the other honor band members in the Hall of Fame of Distinguished Band Conductors, Smith Hall, Troy.

After registration Jackie and Dana, along with the other students, auditioned for chair placement. They had piano scales and sight-reading.

After auditions they were divided into the silver and crimson bands. Dana went into the crimson and Jackie into the silver.

The two students then had dinner, rehearsed, then listened to a concert by the T.R. Miller High School Band. They returned to the hotel and had a pizza party.

They rehearsed Saturday morning from 8:30 until 10, and then heard Warren Central High School Band.

The silver band was first to perform. It was conducted by Dr. Frank Bencicicuto. The crimson band then performed, conducted by Col. Hal. J. Gibson.



Jackie Herbert  
(Dana Dean unavailable for picture, due to being on Science Club field trip.)

Honor band members then had an Honors banquet and watched the Troy State Symphonic Band perform.

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## AIDS Education Course To Be Taught

By: Jackie Parish  
A 5-hour AIDS education unit will be taught to all students in grades seven through twelve in Coffee County. The Alabama State Board of Education has made it mandatory that the AIDS education unit be taught this spring.

Certified faculty members who have received specific training in AIDS education will teach the unit. Students will be divided into groups by grade levels and sex, with no more than 25 students per group. At Zion Chapel High School, Mrs. Marsh Oggs, Mrs. Anita

Grant, Mrs. Melinda Hodge and Coach Tommy Walker will be teaching the AIDS unit, which will be taught in the AIDS study.

Any parent who doesn't want their student attending this unit may contact the school principal to request that the student not be required to participate. Parents of every Coffee County School child in grades 7-12 were notified in a letter from Mr. Clayton Bryant, superin-

tendent, that Coffee County would be teaching this unit. The letter also explained what would be taught in the AIDS study.

AIDS is a deadly disease for which there is presently no known cure. Through the AIDS study the Coffee County School System hopes to educate the students regarding this disease and teach them preventive measures from a moral, conservative viewpoint.

## REBEL ROUNDBALL

### Rebels Fall Hard To Ariton 71-46

By: Chris Moultrie  
Rebel freshman Jeffery Flowers scored ten points in the first half but failed to break the stride of the Ariton Purple Cats. At half-time the score was Ariton 36- Zion Chapel 23.

The second-half started with Zion Chapel behind, and by the end of the game the situation had not changed. The game ended 71-46 in Ariton's favor.

### Zion Chapel Dumps Daleville 63-51

By: Chris Moultrie  
For the last game of regular season play, Zion Chapel traveled to Daleville and won 63-51. At the end of the first half the Rebels faced an uphill climb when the Purple Cats outscored them 2-1.

Rebel player Scottie Lee hit 12 points in the second quarter. Calvin Newsom scored 10 points, James Liprot 11, Chris Moultrie 7 and Toraz Haynes 3.

### Rebel B Team Edges Ariton

By: Robbie Davis  
The Zion Chapel B-Team Rebels won a 3-point fourth-quarter victory over the Ariton Purple Cats.

The Rebels started off during the first quarter slow by scoring one point less than the Purple Cats, 12-11.

Zion Chapel came back during second quarter to score 22 points to put them ahead with a half-time score of 33-24.

The game ended with a 3-point victory for the Rebels.

### ZC B Team Drops Daleville 49-43

The Zion Chapel Rebels' B-Team finished the season with a victory over Daleville, 49-43.

The Rebels started off with a first-quarter 18-point lead. Daleville came back in the second quarter to drop the lead to 12 points.

Zion Chapel won the heat

during the third quarter to double Daleville's third quarter score of 21 points.

During the fourth quarter the Rebels lost their momentum to let Daleville gain 6 points.

The final score was 49-43.

**Junior Rebels Post 5-7 Record**

By: Todd Rugg  
The Zion Chapel Jr. High Rebels ended their regular season with a victory over the Costa Eagles. The win put the Rebel season with five wins and seven losses.

The Jr. Rebels started their season off with four straight wins. The win of the season was over the King Bulldogs 48-44, and the best starts any junior team of ZC has had. The all-time leading scorer was Douglas Faulk with 106 points for the year. Chris Dewberry scored 102 points for the Rebels this year.

Arion 44-24, Coffee Springs 49-24, and Kristen 48-42.

The Rebels' streak was broken by the Elba Tigers 76-28. The Rebels then seemed to get frustrated, losing their next five games to Straughn 46-43; New Iberia 74-57; Dauphin 61-38; Daleville 33-27; Goshen 33-36; and New Brockton 63-34.

The Rebels were proud of their record however, and in our best starts any junior team of ZC has had. The all-time leading scorer was Douglas Faulk with 106 points for the year. Chris Dewberry scored 102 points for the Rebels this year.

**Scotty Lee Sets ZC Scoring Record**

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The Rebel News staff believes this is an all-time school-scoring record. Coach Tommy Walker and Coach Tom Motes both told the Rebels that they can find no evidence of anyone ever making this many points in a single game.

If any former Zion Chapel coach or basketball player knows that he is not a school record holder, please let the staff write to the Rebel News.

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# Sports

## Views From The Pressbox By, Ricky Mularz

It looks like there is no rest for the weary! You'd think that at a small weekly newspaper there would be breaks in sports for me to catch my breath; however, the high school area tournaments begin the week after the football week it's sub-state as the local teams drive for the state tourney. As basketball ends it means the beginning of spring football practice and also the start of baseball practice at both the high school and youth levels. Of course football is never far away and the first tourney of the season will be only two weeks away. Well, at least I never have to worry how I'm going to fill two weeks away.

### ELBA TIGERS END REGULAR SEASON WITH 5-14 MARK

The Elba Tigers ended the regular season last week with a loss to Flisol and with the loss ended the schedule with a disappointing 5-14 record. In 1987 the Tigers struggled to a 5-15 slate - their worst in years - and now it looks like a loss in tonight's (Thursday) tournament will give the Tigers an identical mark for a straight year.

What's wrong? I think the reason is that I would be writing sports in Elba, Alabama. I'd be on television and running my own show for a million dollars a year like a lot of other so-called experts! Seriously, Elba is going through a down period in basketball talent - that's obvious, but it's also pretty clear that the players have seemed to lose that spark and confidence that used to be there. The Tigers made it to the state tourney three years ago and boasted an outstanding record, but back then it was something like 20 years ago that Elba made its last tourney, so the Tigers haven't exactly made winning a way of life on the basketball court for quite some time.

The junior high program has been winning big time for the past couple of years, and the players begin to filter into the varsity program the wins should begin to roll in. I'm sure that everyone associated with Elba Tiger sports want the Tigers to win every year - it just now seems that a good season will certainly be a welcome relief.

What's the answer? I think the answer is that we need to upgrade the program where winning seasons come each and every year. Maybe the program will turn around soon and Tiger fans will once again pack the gym!

### AREA AND SUB-STATE TOURNAMENTS COULD BE EXCITING

There are always plenty of surprises when the post-season tournaments begin. The results could be different, even though we don't know who will claim the biggest prize or get it to state. Here's a quick look at the local tournaments and what might happen this year.

\*\*Class 1A, Area 4 - The Brantley Bulldogs ended the season with a perfect 17-0 record and the top ranking in the state, but the Bulldogs have a tough night to make it. Kinston played better last week against Enterprise and you can never count the Bulldogs off of the field for the tourney. They should be in sub-state action.

\*\*Class 3A, Area 4 - Clayton will wake up late in the season and has to be the team to beat. LaGrange has the talent to challenge the Tigers, and if the Devils can get by Elba they appear to have a good shot at the title. In this area it looks like a repeat of a year ago.

### ELBA SOFTBALL FANS IN FOR A TREAT

Softball fans in Elba and across south Alabama will be in for a real treat next weekend when Steele's softball team comes to town. They are a double-header against two local victims! Steele's has won the national "Slowpitch" national crown two years in a row, and is without a doubt the best team in the field. At Elba's 275-foot fences the national record of 108 runs in a single game is a distant memory and anyone who goes to the games will see home-run sail out of the field faster than you can count 'em. I asked Mike Carnley what he did if his team was behind 9-0 in the first inning, and while he only laugh'd, I know he has thought about the possibility. I guarantee you I'll be there and if you want to see something like you've never seen before you'll be there too!

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## Class 3A, Area 4 Tourney Set To Begin Tonight

The Class 3A, Area 4 basketball tournament is scheduled to begin tomorrow at the Elba High School gym with a total of four teams battling for two berths in next week's sub-state action.

The tourney will begin at 6:00 p.m. when the top-seeded Clayton Tigers meet the Daleville Warhawks, while 73rd the next Elba Tigers will battle the second-seeded Louisvile Red Devils.

Clayton, ranked in the state's top 10 for most of the season, started the year off with a 10-0 record as the Tigers slipped to a 1-3 record.

However, the Tigers have been winning big since the holidays and have to be considered a favorite to advance to the state tourney in Auburn.

Elba has struggled all season with a young coach and a very young squad, and with an opening round date with Clayton it appears as the Warhawks will be ousted early in the tourney action.

Admission to the tourney will be \$2 per person.

### Last Season Tailspin Leaves Tigers With 5-14 Regular Season Record

The Elba Tigers traveled to Florda last Friday night in hopes of snapping a two-game losing streak while the team was on a winning run, but ran into a fire-damaged Florda Wildcats and suffered a 69-59 loss.

The loss left the Tigers with a 5-14 record, while Florda upset its slate record.

John Coleman scored 19 points to lead the Tigers in the loss, while Jason Johnson added 13.

Stanley Foster scored 27 points to lead the Gamecocks, while Tony James added 17 and Rocky Head scored 16.

Johnny Wheeler led a balanced Florda attack with 14 points.

**Enterprise 88**

**Elba 45**

The Enterprise Wildcats pulled ahead in the second quarter and then pulled away last week as they pounds the Elba Tigers 88-45, at the Wildcat gym.

The Tigers came out ready to play against the heavily-favored Enterprise squad, and behind the play of Jeff Kelley, they pulled out a 14-13 first-quarter lead only to see the Wildcats explode in the second quarter to grab a 39-26 halftime lead and then extend their lead to 62-32 after the third quarter.

The Tigers tried to battle back in the game; however, the Wildcats were simply too much as they rolled to a 68-45 win.

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**[B GAME]**

The New Brockton B-team exploded to a 20-4 lead in the final stanza as they rallied to defeat the Elba Tiger B-team 53-50.

The Tigers grabbed an early 15-8 lead in the game, and by the end of the first quarter had a whooping 38-25 lead, only to see the Gamecocks rally to post the win.

Bennie Daniels scored 14 points to lead Elba, while Kevin Barnes added 11, David Rowe 11 and Phil Boggs 10.

Todd Boland scored 22 points for New Brockton and Chris Turner added 14.

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The Enterprise B-team jumped out to a quick 22-4 lead and held it to lead the Elba Tiger B-team 78-58.

The Wildcats all put out the game out of reach in the opening stanza, and while the Tigers never gave up they could never catch the 'Cats.

Keith Henderson scored 20 points to lead Elba, while Phil Boggs added 12 and Kevin Barnes scored 11.

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**EP 78:** Campbell 8, Crawford 2, Crawford 14, Hurl 11, Purvis 9, Neal 3, Phillips 5, Petty 3, Amos 15, Coker 2, Walker 3.

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**New Brockton 79**

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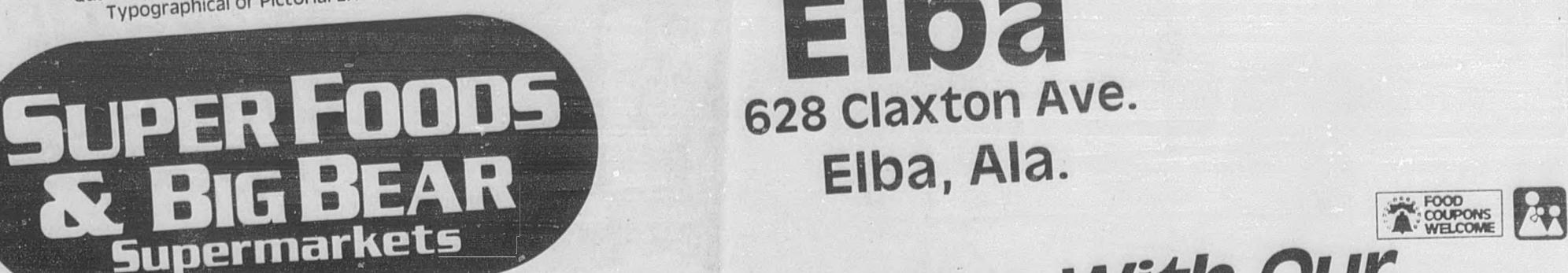
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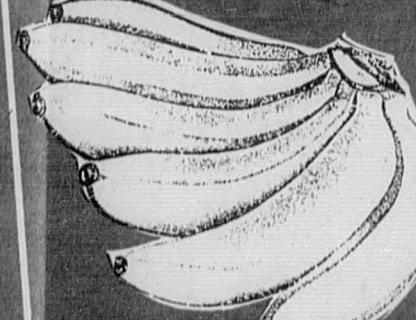
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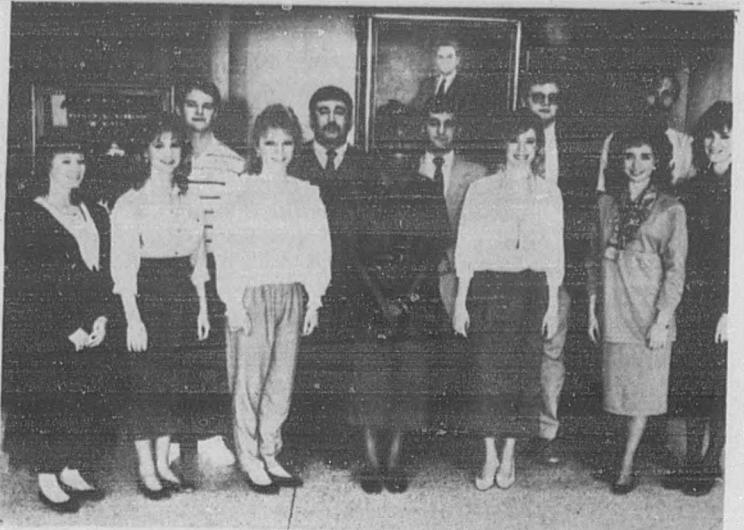
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Wednesday - Oatmeal, Juice, Toast, Milk  
Thursday - Sausage, Juice, Biscuit and Jelly, Milk  
Friday - Cereal, Juice, Milk  
LUNCH

Monday - Barbecue, Cole Slaw, Rice, Applesauce, Bread, Milk  
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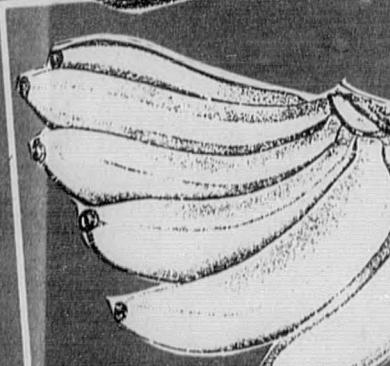
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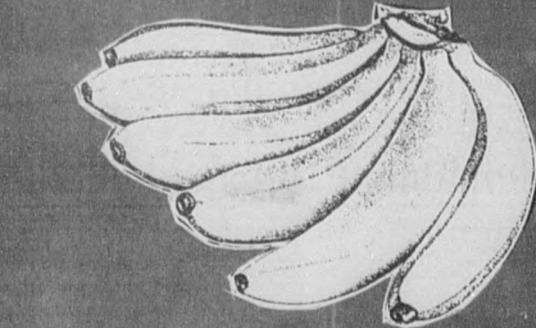
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## Commission takes no action on request to allow health dept. to impose fees for services

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, Feb. 22, at the courthouse in Elba and heard a request from Coffee County Health Dept. Director Kenneth Ball that the commission sponsor legislation authorizing the health department to begin charging fees for certain services offered by the department.

Ball informed the commission that 22 counties in the state currently charged for various services offered by county health departments and that he had proposed a separate piece of legislation that he requested the commission approve and send on to the state for passage into law.

"This legislation will give the county health department the authority to propose fees if sufficient funds are needed," stated Ball, "and with the skyrocketing costs of administering vaccines and the possibility of AIDS testing in the very near future, it is likely that funds for the department will be badly needed."

Health department nurses administer 85 percent of the vaccines in the county and average 100 patients a day, which is costly. If the legislation is passed, the commission will have the authority to approve or disapprove any fees that are recommended, which gives the commission the final say on what will be charged and what services will be paid for."

The legislation, given to the members of the commission stated that the law would give the county Board of Health the authorization to designate the services rendered by the health department for which a reasonable fee may be charged and also to set an appropriate fee for each service. Any fees charged would be subject to approval by the commission and all funds received for the services would go into the general fund of the county.

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"If we go to a fee system I think we'll see people begin to go to a doctor for services instead of going to the health department, and we'll wind up with are those who receive the services free, which brings us back to where we are now."

Commissioner Eugene Bradley echoed the sentiments of his colleagues and stated, "It's like making some people tax twice for the same thing. The tax dollars are what keep the department open and to charge those who have already paid their taxes, that just doesn't seem fair."

Commissioner Bill Faulk was the only commissioner who sided with Ball and declared, "While I don't like the idea of the department having to realize similar systems are working in other counties, and we may have to do something like it some day, I would like for the proposed legislation to be acted on so we no current services will be affected."

Commissioner Billy Eagerton took no stand on the matter, but suggested that the entire matter be referred to the county engineer and to discuss the plan with the county's legislators. The commission approved the idea to table the proposal and apparently will discuss it at a later meeting.

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